



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/20/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 12:40 PM

CCLC-330

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation			Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient. Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
02/20/2024	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/05/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/25/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	1L	One Year Olds	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	1R- Priv Pre-K	Six Year Olds and Over	2	17	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside, Transitioning
Main	2L	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Transitioning
Main	2R Pre-K	Four Year Olds	2	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	3L	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	10	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	3R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4L	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4R Nxt to Kitchen		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	5L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Center/Middle	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	11	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Main	Patio/Back Porch		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rt of 4rt nxt to play		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 227

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 95

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 227

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Left Playground	36	C
Main	C- Back Playground	112	C
Main	C- Right Playground	27	C

Comments

Consultant conducted a onsite monitoring visit on February 20, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the user id for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)



Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(1) requires each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the age-appropriate group of children. It was determined based on observation that the following were not in working order:

- Three of four toys that required batteries in classroom Middle/Center.
- Five of five toys that required batteries in classroom 2L.
- Five of six toys that required batteries in classroom 1L.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure Staff are trained in and children are taught the proper use of all furniture, materials and equipment; will implement a plan for this information to be reviewed with both groups on an ongoing basis; and for monitoring proper and age-appropriate usage.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2024

Recited on 2/20/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation that there was a cabinet in the dramatic play area that was not properly secured and cause a potential tipping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2024

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure that staff bags are stored inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2024

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(8) - Please ensure that there is at least six inches of resilient surfacing on the Right playground.

Correction Deadline: 3/1/2024

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that the diaper changing pad in the Middle/Center classroom was porous and not observed to be clean as required. It was further determined that there were porous straps on the diaper changing pad in the 1L classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2024

Recited on 2/20/2024

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(6) - Please ensure that the diaper changing table is free of clutter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2024

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(2) - Please ensure that children's faces and noses are kept clean.

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2024

Correction Deadline: 12/5/2023

Corrected on 2/20/2024

.17(8) - This citation was corrected on this date. Proper hand washing was observed.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Not Met

Comment

Please document N/A or none if no adverse reaction is observed.

Finding

591-1-1-.20(4) requires the Center to keep medication in a cabinet or container that is locked or otherwise not accessible to the children and to be stored separate from cleaning chemicals, supplies or poisons. Medications requiring refrigeration shall be placed in a leak-proof container in a refrigerator that is not accessible to the children. It was determined based on observation that there was a staff bag accessible to the children that was observed to have Simpesse and a bottle of unidentified pills inside.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on the safe and proper storage of medication and monitor to ensure that the rule is met.

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2024

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/10/2023

Corrected on 2/20/2024

.21(3) - This citation was corrected on this date. Director stated that the next emergency drill had been scheduled.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/6/2023

Corrected on 2/20/2024

.36(7)(c)2. - This citation was corrected on this date. Transportation checklist were observed to have first and second checks of the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 12/5/2023

Corrected on 2/20/2024

.36(7)(d)2. - This citation was corrected on this date. Transportation checklist were observed to have first and second checks of the vehicle.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.